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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Joshua Elliott on January 22, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

- On page 15, line 16 of the specification, the term "oligonucleotide A" has been deleted and the term ---oligonucleotide B--- has been inserted therefor.
- On page 15, line 18, the paragraph ---Figure 4 is a scheme illustrating the result on polyacrylamide gel of a test for monitoring the elongation of an oligonucleotide A and the incorporation of morpholino A putrescine or morpholino A fluorescein.--- has been inserted.
- On page 51, line 16, the term "Figure 3" has been deleted and the term ---Figure 4--has been inserted therefor.
- On page 54, line 2, the term "Figure 4" has been deleted and the term ---Figure 3--- has been inserted therefor.

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Contacts

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patrick T. Lewis whose telephone number is 703-305-4043. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James O. Wilson can be reached on 703-308-4624. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-305-3014.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0196.

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